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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CGEN: (BENTLEY, JACK)

SUBJECT:JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE: VISIT BY AUSA WILSON AND  
SA GREEAR (ATF)

1. ASS'T US ATTY FROM SEATTLE, DAVID E. WILSON AND SPECIAL  
ASST WAYNE GREEAR OF BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIRE-  
ARMS, OF DEPT TREASURY ARE INVESTIGATING A POSSIBLE  
CONSPIRACY CASE AND CONNECTIONS WITH ORGANIZED CRIME BEFORE  
TAKING CASE TO GRAND JURY.

2. JACK BENTLEY A US CITIZEN IS BELIEVED TO POSSESS INFOR-  
MATION VALUABLE TO INVESTIGATOR. HE IS INCARCERATED IN  
THAILAND, APPARENTLY ON DRUG CHARGES. WILSON AND GREEAR  
WISH TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO BENTLEY TO TALK INFORMALLY WITH  
HIM. WITHOUT NOTIFYING BENTLEY IN ADVANCE, INVESTIGATORS  
DESIRE A CLEARANCE FROM GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND TO ALLOW  
THEM TO SPEAK WITH BENTLEY.

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3. INVESTIGATORS ARE UNDER TIME PRESSURE SINCE BENTLEY IS  
EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED SOON.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONTACT LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND ASK  
WHETHER THERE WOULD BE ANY DIFFICULTIES IN WILSON AND  
GREEAR SPEAKING INFORMALLY WITH BENTLEY WITHOUT PRIOR CON-  
TACT WITH BENTLEY. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONTACT DEA ATTACHE

FOR ANY ASSISTANCE HE MAY BE. NOTE, IF EMBASSY FORESEES  
DIFFICULTIES, WOULD CONSULAR OFFICER BE ABLE TO ACCOMPANY  
INVESTIGATORS?

5. ARRIVAL OF WILSON AND GREEAR IS APRIL 27 VIA FLIGHT 1.  
REQUEST EMBASSY ARRANGE WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS INTERVIEW  
OF BENTLEY, IF POSSIBLE, FOR APRIL 27 AND 28. PLEASE  
MAKE RESERVATION NEAR EMBASSY AT MODERATELY PRICED HOTEL  
FOR 2 SINGLES FOR 3 DAYS. CHRISTOPHER

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